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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1.) Claim Amendments

The Applicants have amended claims 2 and 37; claims 1, 10-11, 13-36 and 38-40 have been canceled; and claims 41-47 have been added. Support for the new claims can be found at page 18, lines 5-24, page 19, lines 1-24, and page 20, lines 1-17.

Claims 41-47 are allowable over Yanosy for the following reason: There is a significant difference between the middleware (MW) used in Yanosy and that of the present invention. Yanosy defines the MW as more of a distributed object computing technique similar to Microsoft's Distributed Component Object Model (DCOM) or OMG's Common Object Request Broker Architecture (CORBA). Distributed object computing extends an object-oriented programming system by allowing objects to be distributed across a network, so that each of the distributed object components are able to interoperate as a unified whole. These objects may be distributed on different computers throughout a network, living within their own address space outside of an application, and yet appear as though they were local to an application. This is distinguishable from the MW used in the present invention as discussed on page 12, lines 20-23, page 13, lines 1-24, page 13, lines 1-19 and Figures 4(a) and 4(b). Further, the invocation of security services referred to in paragraph [0040] of Yanosy is conceptually different from the granting of access of the present invention as provided on page 14, lines 15-20 and page 15, lines 1-15 of the present application. For these reasons, Yanosy does not disclose the invention as claimed in claims 41-47.

Accordingly, claims 2-9, 12, 37 and 41-47 are pending in the application.

2.) Allowable Subject Matter

In paragraph 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner objected to claims 2-9, 12 and 37 as being dependent on rejected base claims, but stated that these claims would be allowable if rewritten to include all of the limitations of the base claims and any

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intervening claims. The Applicant has rewritten the claims in this manner. Therefore, the withdrawal of the objection and the allowance of claims 2-9, 12 and 37 are respectfully requested.

3.) Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

In paragraphs 1-2 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 10-11, 13-36 and 38-40 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Yanosy (US 2004/0216147). Applicants have canceled claims 1, 10-11, 13-36 and 38-40 without prejudice.

4.) Prior Art Not Relied Upon

In the Conclusion paragraph of the Office Action, the Examiner stated that the prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to the Applicants' disclosure is Raivisto (US Publication No. 2003/145044). Raivisto discloses a method and apparatus for sharing information about an end user of a mobile terminal with an applications node in a wireless network, in which a virtual terminal arranged between the mobile terminal to the applications node provides end user information about the end user of the mobile terminal to the applications node from a centralized point. Notably, the present invention is distinguishable from Raivisto, among other reasons, in that Raivisto in the end user must be prompted each time certain end user information is requested by the applications node.

CONCLUSION

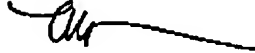
In view of the foregoing remarks, the Applicants believe all of the claims currently pending in the Application to be in a condition for allowance. The Applicants, therefore, respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw all objections and issue a Notice of Allowance for claims 2-9, 12, 37 and 41-47.

The Applicants request a telephonic interview if the Examiner has any questions or requires any additional information that would further or expedite the prosecution of the Application.

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